

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

--A semiconductor integrated circuit device having a plurality of internal circuits connected to different power lines, and an inter-circuit signal wire or a branched wire along these internal circuits, wherein near an active element in a first connection configuration connected to the inter-circuit signal wire or the like, a plurality of active elements in a second [~~another~~] connection configuration are arranged to sandwich or surround the active element in the first connection configuration. The active elements in the second [~~other~~] connection configuration have the identical or similar structure to the active element in the first connection configuration, and are connected to power lines of an internal circuit associated therewith but not connected to signal wires and so on in the internal circuit.--